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Wakeboarders Welcome!!

The biggest summer kick-off north of Toronto is coming to Head Lake in Haliburton on June 12th and 13th. It's 'Wakeboarders Welcome' - a full weekend of wakeboarding and railslide competitions, live music, beer tents, bikini contests, after competition party and lots more, all to raise money for the M.S. Society of Canada.

This is the 4th year for the annual event organized by Haliburton native Chris as well as his friends, Josh Parlett, Raydon McCrea, Aaron Murray, Jordan Murray, James Luck, Laura Iaccino, Julie Burchert and Scot Sultana, and this year promises to

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The Queen Is Coming

Minden is rolling out the red carpet for The Queen? Well, maybe not "the real" queen of England, but the next best thing. On May 23rd, Minden is celebrating Victoria's Jubilee, a community pageant that re-enacts the 1897 Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria, as it might have happened in Minden.

This is shaping up to be quite a gala & exciting event. For more details see story inside on pg. 22...



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The day consists of a northern pike fishing derby, but for those who don't fish and still want to try it, you can attend the feast taking place between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. The cost is \$8.99 per plate.

Now, if you want to catch what you eat, then you will want to join in the fishing derby portion of the day's event as well. The cost is \$50 for a 2 person team entry. This fee not only gets you into the tournament, but also includes your feast. Fishing starts at 7 a.m. - weigh in at 2 p.m.

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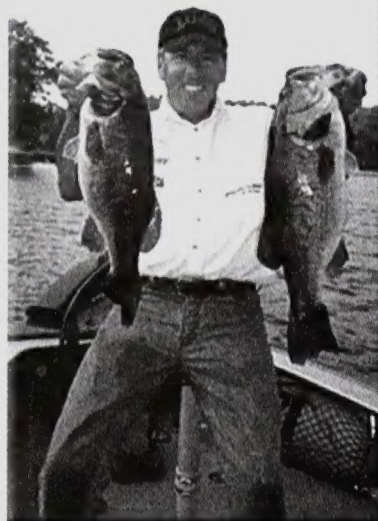
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Rocky Crawford is a professional angler, outdoor writer and seminar speaker who resides in Whitby, Ontario. He will be on site at Emmerson Lumber in Haliburton with his boat and his knowledge. He will be available to answer your questions and meet with fans all day.

Rocky is the only angler in Canada to qualify for every National Classic ever held. He is a four time Chevy/Mercury National Classic Champion, winning in 1988, 1993, 1998 and 2001. Rocky was the Bass'n'tario Classic Champion in 1990, he has three National Angler of the Year titles and many regional and invitational championship wins. Rocky Crawford is also the all time leading money winner.

Emmerson owner, Kim Emmerson is responsible for setting up this tour with Rocky, who will be visiting a variety of Castle Building Centres throughout the summer. Kim has actually had the pleasure of fishing with Rocky. "I went out with Rocky on Kashagawigamog last fall. We caught quite a few bass and threw them all back. Rocky promotes catch and release. We did really well that day."

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From stone walkways, ponds, waterfalls, outdoor concrete hot tubs and pools, to granite or limestone terraces and much more, Chris can help you turn your property into a work of art that you will enjoy and be proud to show off to your family and friends.

Whether you have a vision for your property or you're not sure just what to do, Chris will work with you to create the landscape design that will best suit your property. If you are considering building a new home, it would be a good idea to call Chris before the construction phase begins.

"It's too bad when people build new they don't involve the landscapers from the get-go. The property I'm currently working on had to have the driveway and septic modified to get the equipment in to the front of the home, and it cost the owner quite a bit of time and money. It could have been avoided if he'd planned the landscaping in advance before the driveway and

tile beds were in," says Chris.

Also, if you're considering doing some landscaping near the waterfront you need to be educated as to proper planning or you could run into trouble with your shoreline and or government agencies such as Oceans and Fisheries. Chris explains some misconceptions, "It's not a good idea to clear cut all the way down to the shoreline and put in a manicured lawn. Although it does look beautiful, there are some problems.

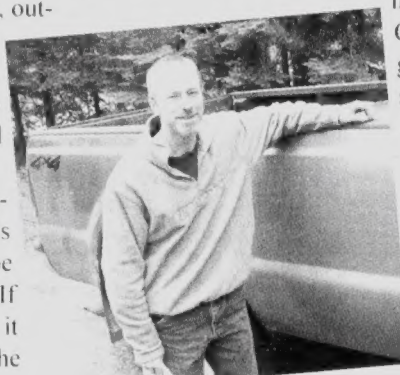
First off, when you remove all the trees, you are removing all those tree roots that have been holding the ground together for years, and that's not good. Secondly, when you have a lawn real close to the shoreline, you tend to use fertilizers on the lawn, and eventually some of that fertilizer ends up getting washed into the lake. One kilogram of phosphorous

fertilizer that gets into the lake fuels 500 kilograms of weeds in the lake. You don't want a massive weed bed in front of your home or cottage, because it's not good for swimming and can choke out shorelines and snare boat propellers."

Landscape Concepts can handle all your property needs from all types of natural stonework for patios, stairs, pillars, walls, custom built concrete spas and pools, waterfalls, fountains, shoreline restoration and planting. Chris prefers to use stonework that is indigenous to the area he's working in.

"In Haliburton County there is an abundance of granite so I use it a lot more because it fits in to look natural. That's the beauty of stonework. It looks so natural. Limestone is great stuff but doesn't look as natural in this area." Chris also stresses that it is important to use plants that are native to the area or you could run into problems with animals eating all your vegetation. They will also be hardier since they are native to our temperature zone. Chris has access to all and any plants, shrubs or vegetation you could ever want for your landscape needs and can get and plant them for you in various developments of

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the plants life. For example if you want immediate privacy and would like to have some hedges or spruce trees planted at your property line you don't need to wait 10 years for them to grow for privacy. Chris states, "Getting trees that are already 15 feet tall is not a problem."

When you hire Landscape Concepts you will know that you are receiving quality, experienced workmanship as Chris has been in the business for over 20 years. He started in the business right after completing high school building and landscaping around swimming pools and spas and he has extensive experience with stonework. "It's labour intensive but the end result with stonework is an amazing visual. A lot of people don't have the ability to visualize landscaping

but I'm really good at seeing the potential in property and will help my clients with sketches and drawings. Almost anything is possible."

Chris says that landscaping can be an expensive endeavour depending on what you want to do and suggests that people do it in stages based on their budget. "It's an investment into your property. It will last forever and it's a one time expense mostly."

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computer showed that a second winning ticket had been bought at the same place he bought his, and at the same time. A security guard accompanied him home, where he found that he had accidentally bought another ticket with the same number, doubling his \$13.3 million win to \$26.6 million. He also had two \$150 winners.

The Grass Is Always Greener On The Other Side: In order to encourage water conservation, Anaheim, Calif., is conducting a trial to encourage homeowners to replace their lawns with artificial grass. If successful, the Metropolitan Water District plans to pay residents to do it, as they do now for the replacement of water-wasting toilets. Fake lawn companies are supporting the trial. "We're talking no more mowing, watering, fertilizing, weeding or resodding," promises one company. "We know you have better things to do than water and care for a grass lawn." (Los Angeles Times) ...Right: like vacuuming the front yard.

Women's Soccer Nights Starting Up

Calling all women that are looking to get out on Sunday evenings and have a little fun, meet some other women with similar interests and get some great exercise and fresh air. Why not come out for the new women's soccer nights starting up in June?

The soccer nights are being organized by Jennifer Kidd who would like to hear from any women who would be interested in playing. So far Jennifer has about 20 women who have indicated they would like to play but she would like to see many more with the intention of eventually having a good sized league. "The first year will mainly focus on teaching the rules of the game and developing skills. It will pretty much be a pick up soccer night. It doesn't matter if you haven't played before- we will teach women to play. My goal is to build a solid foundation and in the next few years build a league so we can play more teams and games."

She hopes to start the soccer nights in Mid June and would love to hear from you if you would like to join in. The games will be played at the Fish Hatchery on County Road 1 outside Haliburton on Sunday evenings in the summer from 6:30 p.m. till 7:30 p.m. For more info call Jennifer at 457-9393.

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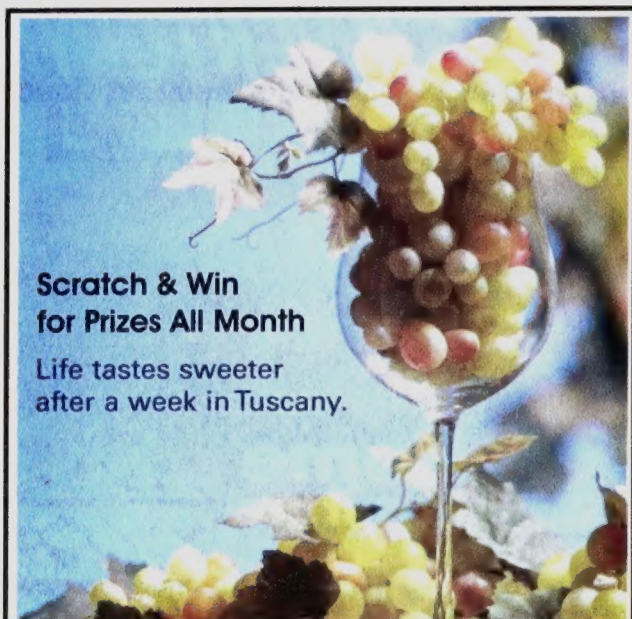
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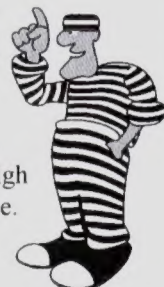
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That's The One.... (The Dumb One)

As a female shopper exited a West Virginia convenience store, a man grabbed her purse and ran. The clerk called 911 immediately, and the woman was able to give them a detailed description of the snatcher. Within minutes, the police apprehended the snatcher. They put him in the car and drove back to the store. The thief was then taken out of the car and told to stand there for a positive ID. To which he replied, "Yes, officer, that's her. That's the lady I stole the purse from."

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Wakeboarders Welcome

...from front cover

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This is one event that is great for spectators, as well as participants – and in a big way – a great event for the cause – the M.S. Society.

Wakeboarders will raise money with pledge sheets, and all monies raised will go towards the fight against Multiple Sclerosis. Donations are also being accepted on site anytime during the event. "Multiple Sclerosis and Wakeboarders Welcome share similar demographics," says Chris. "MS is the most common neurological disease affecting young adults in Canada. It is fortunate that we can come together and make a difference doing what we love to do."

There's lots going on throughout the weekend for both participants and spectators.

The event opens Saturday morning at 9 a.m., but pre-registration is done Friday June 11th from 4-7 or on Saturday June 12th from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. or you can also register on line. Space is limited. There will see be two categories, one for non-competitive and a second for amateur, intermediate and pro. Riders will ride once with exception to the finals. Railside competition will commence only after all preliminary runs are finished. Boats supplied by Haliburton Watersports will pull the riders.

The beer gardens will open at 11 a.m with live band Intricate Syndicate, starting things off. Then a bikini contest will follow. After that a major Canadian punk band called 'Amped' will entertain the crowds. Montreal band 'Northern Lights' will end the days music in the park, and off to the Northwood Inn for a post party where all three bands will again perform into the night and the Coors Light promotional team will be giving away lots of great prizes. "These bands are really good performers and put on a good show. This event is going to be a great thing for Haliburton. It's going to be a big festival," assures Chris.

Coors Light is sponsoring the festival, and The Moose 97.7 and the New VR will be broadcasting live. A full line of Connelly wakeboards will be on display as will as Roxy, Quicksilver, Dragon Optical, Protec helmets, and a half price pipe from Recreational Depot. Schick razors will also be on hand and have a razor for you!

Be sure to attend this great day of fun for the whole family, and help support the fight against MS. In the past three years the event has raised close to \$10,000 for the MS society and organizers, with your help, hope to raise the most money ever. The event will definitely be a great start to the summer in the Highlands. To pre-register on line or to find out more about this huge event, please visit the website at www.wakeboarderswelcome.com or call Chris Nimigon at 457-7285.

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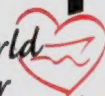
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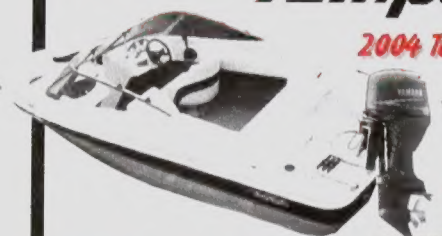
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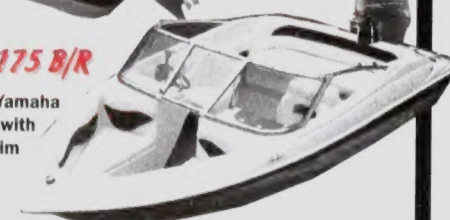
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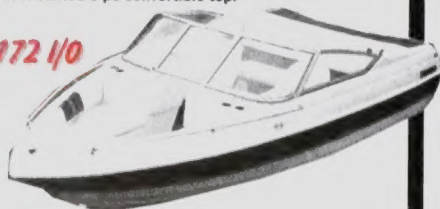
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(See 1st one above... Doctor lost bet...)

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Something you probably did know...

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Doug Black's vehicle of choice is a 1936 Chevrolet Pick Up Truck. Redoing the vehicle has been a 7 year hobby for him. He got it for \$500, as pieces in boxes from a guy in Toronto who owed money to friend of Dougs who was a mechanic. The vehicle is equipped with a Chev small block 350 bored 30 over with 4 bolt mains and a steel crankshaft. It has a blower cam shaft, forged blower pistons, stainless steel valves, roller rocker arms and a polished Weiand 177 supercharger. There are Holley 780 carbs modified for the blower and a 3 inch exhaust with "X" pipe running to flowmaster mufflers. It has a standard 4 speed transmission and a 10 bolt shortened GM rear end. Inside there are VDO gauges, power windows and tilt steering. The front end is a Mustang 2 independent front end suspension and an aluminum radiator. The over all vehicle has been lowered by 3 inches. Why this vehicle? Doug says "There isn't always a lot to choose from but I really liked the body lines of the 1936". The vehicle came covered in rust and he wasn't even sure all the parts were there. When asked what's it worth Doug's answer is "it isn't for sale but the motor alone would be about \$10,000". Doug says he will be driving it full time when he is completely finished. He is looking forward to cruise nights. When asked about gas mileage his answer is "you don't build them for the mileage". Deep down we think Doug is glad he bought the Shell Gas Station that used to be Stan's Shell just outside of Haliburton. We hope he gets a discount on his fuel.

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Annual Men's Open Golf Tournament

It was a beautiful day and a good time was had by all who attended the 3rd annual Men's Open golf tournament at the Haliburton Highlands Golf Course on May 9th. The champs were, Josh McElwain, Mike McElwain, Steve Gunsolus, and Jordan Fitzgerald. Awards for the longest drive champion went to Jordan Fitzgerald, closest to the pin on hole #2 was Tom Ecclestone, and closest to the pin on hole #8 was Joe Isles. Congrats to all that participated and thanks goes out to all the sponsors who helped make the day a great success. See you next year!

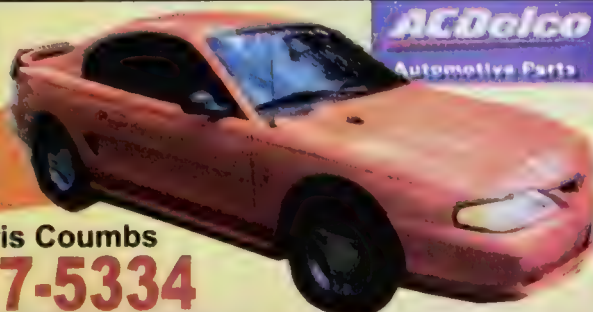
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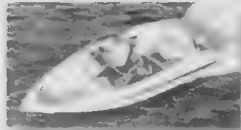
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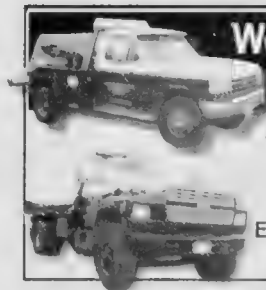
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The event is more than just cars. There will be two tents set up this year with bbq food cooked to perfection, and for you early risers, breakfast will be served at the Lloyd Watson Centre from 8 a.m. There will also be a flea market open inside and outside for all you happy shoppers. There is also door prizes available for spectators.

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Got something to sell?... Vendors of any type are still needed and booth space is \$20. Independent skilled judges will jury the show and spectators can cast their vote for the 'Peoples Choice' nicest vehicle. There will be many

trophies handed out for different categories of vehicles from original to modified.

If you have a car you would like to display here's your chance. The show is open to all vehicles 20 years and older. If you would like to enter a vehicle the cost is only \$5. There will also be a car corral where you may put your vehicle on display for sale. (Your vehicle does not need to be an antique for this, it is more like a swap meet.)

Last year the show saw close to 100 vehicles entered and 47 finalists made it to judging, and organizer Jack Bartholemew says he is expecting an even greater turnout this year. To enter a vehicle in the show or to book booth space for the flea market, or learn more call Jack at 448-2245.

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Most will remember it formally as a Gull River Lumber. John is currently looking for old pictures of when it was a schoolhouse or when it was a lumberyard?

"I'm trying to keep the historical integrity of the building while keeping the memories alive," explains John.

If you have any pictures he would like to make copies and frame them to display in his showroom. All pictures will be returned. You can contact John at 286-3030.

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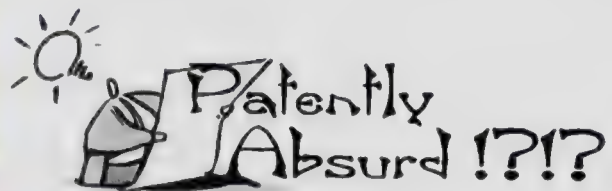
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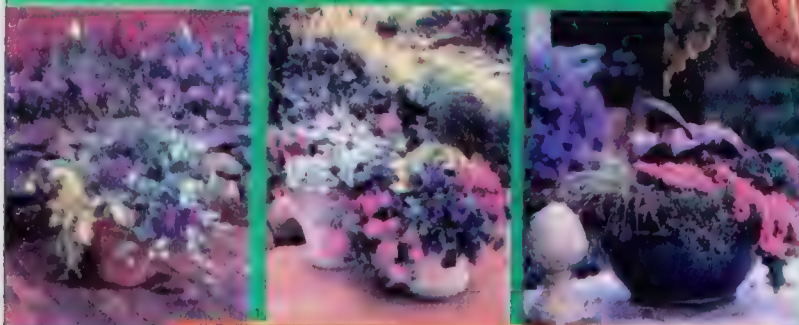
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The auction is now the clubs major fundraiser and with everyone's support they hope to do bigger and better projects for 2004/05. The club is grateful for all donations received in the past and thanks all donors wholeheartedly- the community has greatly benefited from your participation. Please look forward to a member of the rotary club contacting you in the next few weeks and please have something to donate.

The value of your donation will add greatly to the clubs ability to continue with their important community projects. If you have not been contacted and would like to donate an item, please call 286-3756. Charitable tax receipts are available.

The auction and dinner will take place at the Minden Community Centre on Saturday, June 19th. Viewing opens at 5:30 p.m. and dinner is at 7 p.m. Tickets are available for \$20 and you can get yours by calling 489-3929 or pick up a ticket at Campbell's Flowers and Gifts or The Storeroom in Minden.

An Answer To The Gas Situation?

It has been calculated that if everyone in the U.S. alone did not purchase a drop of gasoline for one day and all at the same time, the oil companies would choke on their stockpiles. At the same time it would hit the entire industry with a net loss of over 4.6 billion dollars which affects the bottom lines of the oil companies.



Gas Saving Tips

With the ever increasing rise in price of gas, we felt it's time to start running 'gas saving tips'. Watch for some great ways to save in the next few issues... Hey.. every little bit helps! Let's start with the most obvious...

Be a Different Driver

Change your driving style. Accelerate gradually, drive smoothly and with care and you could see as much as a 20 percent gain in fuel economy compared with what you'd get with an aggressive driving style. Skip those jackrabbit starts and sudden pedal-to-the-metal manoeuvres if you want to save gas. Anticipate stops so you avoid sudden braking, and take a long view of the road ahead, coasting safely to an intersection in front of you where you see traffic stopped.

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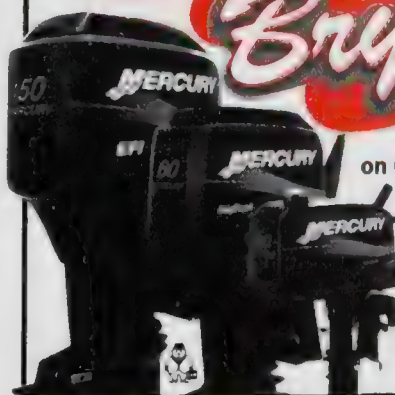
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Young King Arthur was ambushed and imprisoned by the monarch of a neighbouring kingdom. The monarch could have killed him, but was moved by Arthur's youth and ideals. So, the monarch offered him freedom, as long as he could answer a very difficult question. Arthur would have a year to figure out the answer; if, after a year, he still had no answer, he would be put to death ...

The question: What do women really want?

Such a question would perplex even the most knowledgeable man, and, to young Arthur, it seemed an impossible query. But, since it was better than death, he accepted the monarch's proposition to have an answer by year's end.

THAT'S LIFE ...

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He returned to his kingdom and began to poll everybody: the princess, the prostitutes, the priests, the wise men, and the court jester. He spoke with everyone, but no one could give him a satisfactory answer.

Many people advised him to consult the old witch. Only she! would know the answer. The price would be high; the witch was famous throughout the kingdom for the

exorbitant prices she charged

The last day of the year arrived and Arthur had no alternative but to talk to the witch. She agreed to answer the question, but he'd have to accept her price first: The old witch wanted to marry him. Young Arthur was horrified: She was hunchbacked and hideous, had only one tooth, smelled like sewage, and made obscene noises. He had never encountered such a repugnant creature.

Finally, having no real choice, he agreed. Their wedding was proclaimed, and the witch answered Arthur's question thus: What a woman really wants is to be in charge of her own life. Everyone instantly knew that the witch had uttered a great truth and that Arthur's life would be spared. And so it was. The neighbouring monarch granted Arthur total freedom.

What a wedding Arthur and the witch had! Arthur was torn between relief and anguish. He was proper as always, gentle, and courteous. The old witch put her worst manners on display, and generally made everyone very uncomfortable.

The hour approached. Arthur, steeling himself for a horrific experience, entered the bedroom. But what a sight awaited him! The most beautiful woman he'd ever seen lay before him! The astounded Arthur asked what had happened. The beauty replied that since he had been so kind to her when she'd appeared as a witch, she would henceforth be her horrible, deformed self half the time, and the other half she would be her beautiful maiden self.

Which would he want her to be during the day, and which during the night?

What a cruel question! Arthur pondered his predicament. During the day, a beautiful woman to show off to his friends, but at night, in the privacy of his home, an old witch? Or would he prefer having by day a hideous witch, but by night a beautiful woman with whom to enjoy many intimate moments?

What would you do?

What Arthur chose follows below.....but don't read until you've made your own choice.....

Noble Arthur replied that he would let her choose for herself.

Upon hearing this, she announced that she would be beautiful all the time, because he had respected her enough to let her be in charge of her own life.

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OUR HISTORY

A Step back in time ...

Hawk Lake Chute

There is a wonderful piece of history that is a must see in Haliburton County the historic Hawk Lake Chute

The Hawk Lake Chute was one of many man made troughs that were used to carry logs over rough river land-

scape to mills in the 1800s and early 1900s. Haliburton County used to have dozens of chutes, and the Hawk Lake chute is the only one of its kind left in Ontario. It was used extensively between 1880 and the 1930s. It was rebuilt in 1947 and again in 1971 as part of what were called 'winter works projects', funded by the federal government. Some repairs have been made to the structure but never any long-term maintenance or sustainability planning.

The physical location of the chute is a spectacular example of "pure Haliburton". The Kennesis River, whose waters flow through the dam and chute, meanders through a picturesque gorge of 1 million-year-old pre-Cambrian landscape. Currently the

site consists of the chute in significant disrepair- a parks Canada/Trent-Severn Waterway dam, and a small, cleared area that was once a picnic area

A committee has been in place attempting to repair and maintain this historic site. The goal is to rebuild the chute and modify its surroundings into a living history site and a heritage landmark. The restored chute will be augmented by and onsite interpretive presentation using words and

historic photographs to explain the significance of logging to our cultural heritage. The riverside will be improved and the picnic areas will be enhanced to include tables, public toilets and waste receptacles. The restrooms will be constructed to accommodate both the elderly and physically challenged.

Mini Version Also A Spectacular Site:

A scale model of the log chute has been completed and unveiled to council. The scale is 1/2": 1' and the model is 12 1/2 feet long! Merv and Eleanor Bunker who have spent more than 300 hours hand making the whole thing created the model. It is incredibly real looking and even has water running through it. The purpose of the model is to illustrate the actual size and complexity of the chute. It will be used as a

fundraising tool, an education tool, and will surely be the centre of attention at the Trails and Tours Networks "Trail Mixer Challenge Party" on June

5th at the Carnarvon Bowl. "It has been invited to the Canada day celebrations in Minden this year, the Arts Party on June 10th in Carnarvon and most likely will be on display at Timbersport," says Carol Moffat

The Hawk Lake Chute project has been estimated at a mere \$140,000 and has been carefully designed to allow for specified portions of the initiative to be tendered out as complete projects. Fundraising by the Stanhope Museum has resulted in community donations of almost \$40,000 in kind and \$15,000 in cash. And SuperBuild funding has been approved for \$50,000. As you can see, they need more. Donations of any amount are heartily welcomed. You can make a donation by sending a cheque to: Hawk Lake Log Chute Restoration Project, Township of Algonquin Highlands, and RR #2 Minden On. KOM 2KO

The model currently resides at the council chambers of the Township of Algonquin Highlands until the Stanhope museum opens in June. If you would like to see the model you can ask at the front counter of the municipal office and one of the ladies will let you in. Also if you have some terrific event at which you would like the model to appear at, please call Carol Moffat at 489-3554. More photos of the chute project and model are online at www.stanhopemuseum.on.ca. For any further details call the Township office at 489-2379. FYI, Heritage Day is Saturday July 17th



Pictured top left is the chute in Sept. 1941.

Bottom left shows the actual size. The man in the pic is actually 6'2" tall.

Top right is the chute in 1920.

Middle is the miniature version of the chute produced by Merv & Eleanor Bunker.



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Mercman Jack

A Man With A True Passion For The Classic

They call him 'Mercman Jack' because of his love and passion for classic Mercury automobiles. Here is some history on Jack Bartholomew—the man who organized the annual 'Highlands Fling in the Spring Antique and Classic Auto Show' in Wilberforce on June 19th.

It all started when Jack bought his first car in 1957. He was 17 years old then and how he ended up with 1951 Mercury is another story. About 23 years ago Jack saw a 51 Merc sitting in a field and it woke up the memories of his first car. He bought it, towed it home to Orillia and began the restoration in his driveway, because of the limited space in his garage. (Who keeps cars in the garage anyway?)

He arrived home one night and his wife informed him that they had been notified about covenants prohibiting "junk" in the driveway. The next day he installed a 'For Sale' sign on the house, not the car. The rest is history.

Jack currently owns 5 (or is it 6?) Mercs, all 1949-50-51s. Jack explains, "Mid century Mercs are a big part of American 50's



cult history which began with James Dean's 49 coupe in 'Rebel Without a Cause'. Famous California customizers such as Joe Bailon and the Barris brothers began 'droppin and choppin' 49-51 Mercs with an anything goes thought process as long as it was done well."

The Merc craze that lulled in the late 60's and 70's has been resurrected since the early 80's and is stronger today than ever. "Ten or fifteen years ago teenagers had no idea who James and Marilyn were," says Jack. "Today they're either dressing up Honda's or looking for cool rides such as Mercs. The Mercs get as much attention from the young guys and gals at car shows and cruise-ins as they do from guys from my era," says Jack.

Since that field Merc in 1981, Jack has owned about 25 or 30 1949-51 Mercs. "Although I'm basically a purist at heart, I've come to learn and appreciate the creativeness and labourous task of designing and moulding your own dream machine. The long hours (usually due to having to do things three or four times over), and also the expense, are worth the effort and pride when finished."

Jack is currently building a 51 custom coupe that's chopped, lowered and shaved. The door handles, trunk, and hood emblem is removed. He has installed a modern drive train from front to back so on the surface it will look like a 50's style custom Merc but the driveline will feature a modern V8 engine, an automatic transmission, power steering and brakes, tilt, cruise, air, and power windows and seats. "I do most of the work myself but I've had some help from others like Dan Matthews in Wilberforce when the skills of a pro are needed for some tasks. The key is to keep the hobby a labour of love and not get involved in doing jobs for others, although I enjoy the rewards of helping others build their dream machine. Merc lovers span the globe and I've shipped parts to other

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Gonna Buy Me A Mercury... .

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hobbyists all over the world."

Jack had hoped to have his custom job done for the upcoming car show in Wilberforce but says if it is there it will sit alongside two or three other original Mercs as a 'work in progress.' "Mercitis, as my wife calls it is stronger than ever. Especially in me. Recent movies such as "Cobra" featuring Sylvester Stallone and the "Awesome 50" and Alan Jackson's re-release of 'Gonna buy me a Mercury' ignites or rekindles the interest

Mercs everywhere, with no age boundaries. For me, the fire is always raging. I just can't get enough of that wonderful stuff-Mercs!"



Be sure to see Jack down at the car show on June 19th and see what's all the rage with these classic autos. Jack would love to hear your feedback.

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The club was founded in 1967 with 20 members and today the membership holds consistent with around the same number. The sport is called 'trap shooting' which is a little different than skeet shooting. A few yards from where the shooters stand there is a little 'house' which holds the 'trap machine'. This machine fires the round red birds into the air and the shooters take aim with the objective of shooting them out of the sky. One person fires their gun at a time so there can be no

question of who hit it. The members also change locations to try different angles and approaches. The club shoots between 2-4 rounds per day with each round consisting of 25 shots each.

"It's not really competitive," says member Mike Grinnell. "You are really shooting against your own best score. There are no prizes to be won. It's all just for fun and helps you improve on your shooting skills. It's a sport that is really big in the states, and even has international matches, but our club is just local."

The club stresses safety and responsibility and always has a safety officer watching the shooting lines. If you would be interested in coming out and trying the sport for yourself, you can do so as a guest for free to see if you

like it. To become a member there is a fee of just \$65 plus the cost of shells. With adult supervision and a minor's permit, the minimum

age to join is 12 years old. All members must have all paper work for guns to join, and as Mike says, "you should have a good eye."

The club's first meeting this year was on May the 16th at 9 a.m. and they will meet at the shooting range every other Sunday at the same time. The shooting range is located immediately behind the cemetery across from the 24/7 restaurant at the corner of Wolf Lake road and County road 503 in Gooderham.



Once you go past the cemetery there is a small gate and clubhouse immediately on the right. Spectators are welcome, as are new members. If you would like further info on the gun club, or would like to come and watch this cool sport, you can call Mike Grinnell at 457-1859, Brian Monaghan at 448-1515 or Bill Challis at 447-3333, or show up at the range on Sunday May 30th. The club holds raindates on the following Sundays, but prefers not to get together on long weekends.



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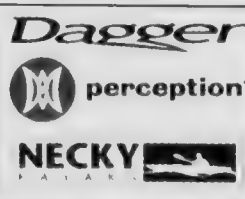
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Young Eagles day was started by the Experimental Aircraft Association in the United States years ago with the goal to introduce 1 million kids to flying by the year 2005. This is a great opportunity for kids to feel what flying is like and see the beautiful Haliburton Highlands from a 'birds eye view'. For further details on the Young Eagles day please contact John Packer at 754-2611, or email airport@halhinet.on.ca

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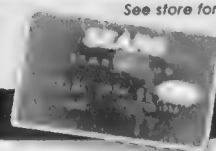
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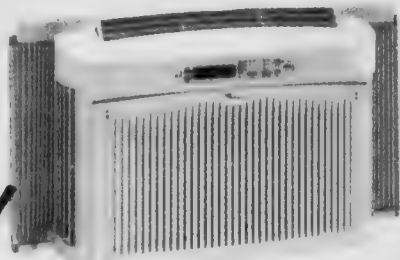
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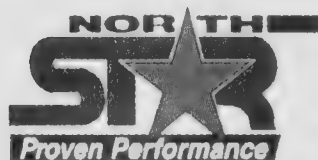
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Queen's Jubilee Features Some Colourful Characters



Hear ye, hear ye. The Queen will be coming to Minden on May 23rd. Not the queen of England, but rather a re-enactment of the 1897 diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria, as it might have happened if in Minden.

The event is happening at the Museum grounds and other locations in Minden and it will be filled with, music, dance and sports from the late Victorian era. There will be a church service on the museum grounds at 11:30 a.m.. Children will greet the Queen and her entourage when she joins lunching commoners on the museum grounds, about 1pm., and will sing for her before she goes about her queenly business of Knighting people and speechifying. A school-marm in the dress of the time will teach period lessons in the little schoolhouse.

There will be a scavenger hunt, penny candy for sale in the general store, wandering entertainers, a Medicine Man, story telling, a musical concert at the Wild Swan on the shore of Gull River, an antique train circulating through the village, a newspaper of the day, a beef on a bun at 5:00, and much more! It will certainly be a great family event, which will be very inexpensive to attend, and just plain fun.

Everyone is encouraged to dress for the occasion. Some hints on how to find costumery in your closet are available from the school office.

Characters Queen Victoria (Chris Archer), Wilfred Laurier (Peter Oyler), Alexander Niven (Ross Rigney), and the medicine man (Jack Brezina) and all the rest are sure to bring a smile to your faces and prove that on May 23rd Minden will be the place to be!



**Queen Victoria and an
entourage of appropriately
fashioned followers are the
highlight of this event!**

News From Our Chamber:

Spring Into Summer Event!!

Please plan on attending the annual "Spring into Summer" Event being held May 26th. This year it will be held at the beautiful Heather Lodge on Hwy #35. Lot's of yummy food will be available starting at 4 pm. Come greet old friends and meet some new.

This is free for Chamber members and \$5.00 for non-members, but there is a limit of 150 so call early to reserve your spot. Please contact Ann and let her know you want to be there.

Board of Directors

Carol Moffatt has resigned as a director of the Chamber, after being elected at the AGM in October. We are sorry to see her leave, as her opinion was always valued.

Are you a business leader who might be interested in joining the Board of the Chamber? Please call me if you would be interested in donating some of your time and knowledge to help promote business interests in the County of Haliburton.

Bob Hall, President (robert.w.hall@sympatico.ca or 286-5108)

Staff Changes

Heather Deveau has recently resigned as an employee of the Chamber. She felt that she wanted to make some changes in her life, and she decided that her future direction required something different. We thank her for her dedication and enthusiasm for the last four years, and wish her well in her future endeavours.

It is always difficult for an organization to lose a valuable employee, but it can also be a time of renewal. We are currently considering how the Chamber will handle these job duties in an effective manner, and will let you know the outcome.

Quilter's Workshop Holding Open House

Guy and Kim Bolender are holding an open house on Saturday May 29th

In addition to being able to register for up coming classes they will be holding demonstrations of their Husqvarna/Viking line of machines. Their line of machines range from the type suitable for the home spare time user to ones that accept computer scanned graphics for doing hats and T-shirts. The hours are 10:00AM to 3:00PM and refreshments will be served.

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An old law in Saudi Arabia stated that if a man did not keep his wife well supplied with coffee, she could legally divorce him!

In ancient Greece, it was against the law for a person to be idle.

It was once against the law in Alaska to stick your tongue out at someone who caught a smaller fish than yours!

In 1511, the prince of Waldeck, Germany, offered a reward of ten thalers to anyone who reported someone illegally drinking coffee!



An old law in Brooklyn, New York, prevents a horse from sleeping in a bathtub inside the owner's house!

In Greece in 330 B.C. a law called the "Stork's Law," or "Lex Ciconaria," was passed making it mandatory for children to care for their parents in old age!



I Swear To Tell The Truth... Even if it's silly...

This column has tidbits of real transcripts from real court cases. In other words... the following statements were actually made in a real court of law. Enjoy... We will run a couple of these periodically.

Judge: "Well, Sir, I have reviewed this case and I've decided to give your wife \$775 a week."

Husband: "That's fair, your honor. I'll try to send her a few bucks myself."

Q: What is your date of birth?

A: July fifteenth

Q: What year?

A: Every year

CRAZY
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Law Suits

Kevin Presland, 45, was briefly in a psychiatric hospital in New South Wales, Australia, after he attempted to strangle a child during a several-day-long alcohol and marijuana binge. Hours after his release, Presland killed his brother's fiancée, but he was acquitted of murder charges after successfully arguing he was temporarily insane. Not surprisingly, a lawsuit was filed — not by the victim's family against Presland, but by Presland against the hospital for letting him out. The NSW Supreme Court agreed and awarded Presland \$300,000 (US\$199,000) in damages.

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Adverse Possession of Land

Adverse possession of land is possession of land similar to a squatter's right to land. It gives to a person ownership of a part of another's lands because of the way that person has used the lands for a period of time. Fenced lands relating to a surveyed property line are an example. If your fence does not run along the surveyed property line but runs over the neighbour's lands to demarcate the property line, you may have possessory title, or ownership, to that part of the neighbour's lands you are using.

A person claiming adverse possession is essentially a trespasser. To determine possession of the lands in court, a claimant must meet a threefold test: (1) actual possession of the disputed lands for a period of ten years, (2) the intention of excluding the true owner from possession, and (3) the actual exclusion of the true owner from possession throughout the ten year period. The test is a question of fact and the facts relied upon must be considered relative to the nature of the lands and the particular use and enjoyment of it being made.

A true owner defending an adverse claim may argue that the possession was not adverse because the claimant acknowledged the right of the true owner to the disputed lands. As well, an adverse claim may be defeated if there was a mutual mistake as to title or boundary lines, or if there was an honestly held belief that the claimant was the rightful owner of the lands. If you think that your rights as true owner may be at risk, you should consider instructing your lawyer to send a demand letter to the person occupying your lands to assert your legal rights to it.

In the next column, I will be talking about forcing the sale of a company's business.

Courtroom Quickie

MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT: An appeals court in Canada heard a judge fell asleep during a criminal trial. Lawyers weren't sure what to do when a Toronto, Ont., Justice dozed off during a cross-examination. Crown Attorney Jennifer Strasberg decided to drop a copy of the 2,136-page Criminal Code on the judge's desk to wake him up. "I dropped the Code and His Honour was visibly stirred from his slumber," she testified later. The judge went on to convict the man, but the appeals court reversed that decision.

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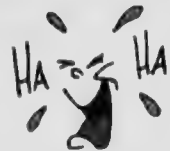
A Mathematician, a Biologist and a Physicist are sitting in a street café watching people going in and coming out of the house on the other side of the street

First they see two people going into the house. Time passes. After a while they notice three persons coming out of the house.

The Physicist: "The measurement wasn't accurate". The

Biologists conclusion: "They have reproduced". The

Mathematician: "If now exactly 1 person enters the house then it will be empty again."



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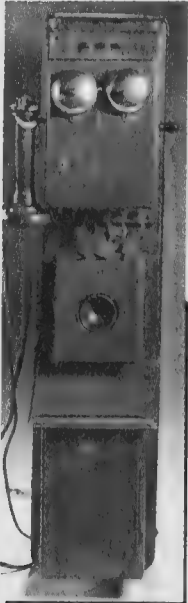
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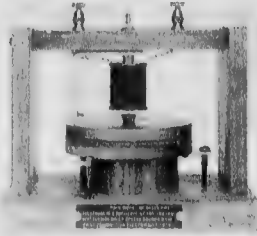
INVENTIONS

The Telephone



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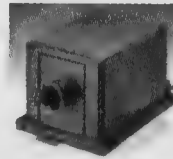
From this early drawing of the first telephone, sketched out by Alexander Graham Bell, a new technology that many considered no more than a curious toy blossomed into one of the most ubiquitous forms of technology ever conceived.



The 1st

The phone has certainly evolved over the past 150 years, especially in appearance. Check out some of the models of popular telephones over the years and how they have changed.

The telephone was not widely appreciated for the first 15 years because people did not see a use for it. In fact, in the British parliament it was mentioned there was no need for telephones because "we have enough messengers here." Western Union believed that it could never replace the telegraph. In 1876, an internal memo read: "This telephone has too many shortcomings to be seriously considered as a



1877 - The
First Commer-
cial Phone

means of communication." Even Mark Twain, upon being invited by Alexander Graham Bell to invest \$5 000 in the new invention, could not see a future in the telephone.

When Bell began experimenting with electrical signals, the telegraph had been an established means of communication for some 30 years.



The 20's

Although a highly successful system, the telegraph, with its dot-and-dash Morse code, was basically limited to receiving and sending one message at a time. Bell's extensive knowledge of the nature of sound and his understanding of music enabled him to conjecture the possibility of transmitting multiple messages over the same wire at the same time. Although the idea of a multiple

telegraph had been in existence for some time, Bell offered his own musical or harmonic approach as a possible practical solution. His



The 50's

"harmonic telegraph" was based on the principle that several notes could be sent simultaneously along the same wire if the notes or signals differed in pitch.

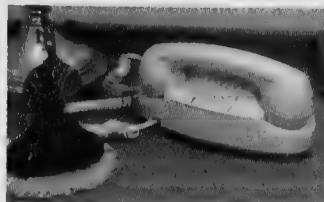
Alexander Graham Bell's notebook entry of 10 March 1876 describes his successful experiment with the telephone. Speaking through the instrument to his assistant, Thomas

A. Watson, in the next room, Bell utters these famous first words. "Mr. Watson — come here I want to see you."

In 1876, at the age of 29, Alexander Graham Bell invented his telephone.



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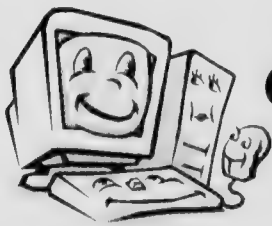


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COMPUTER HUMOUR!

Computer Male or Female?

A French teacher was explaining to her college class that in French, unlike English, nouns are designated as either masculine or feminine.

House is feminine "la maison". Pencil is masculine "le crayon"

A student asked, "What gender is 'computer'?" Instead of giving the answer, the teacher split the class into two groups - male and female - and asked them to decide for themselves whether "computer" should be a masculine or a feminine noun. Each group was asked to give four reasons for their recommendation.

The women's group concluded that computers should be masculine (le computer) because:

1. In order to do anything with them, you have to turn them on.
2. They have a lot of data but still can't think for themselves.
3. They are supposed to help you solve problems, but half the time they ARE the problem.
4. As soon as you commit to one, you realize that if you had waited a little longer, you could have gotten a better model.

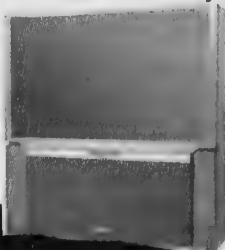
The men's group decided that "computer" should definitely be of the feminine gender (la computer) because:

1. No one but their creator understands their internal logic.
2. The native language they use to communicate with other computers is incomprehensible to everyone else.
3. Even the smallest mistakes are stored in long term memory for possible later review.
4. As soon as you make a commitment to one, you find yourself spending half your paycheck on accessories for it.



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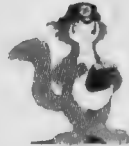


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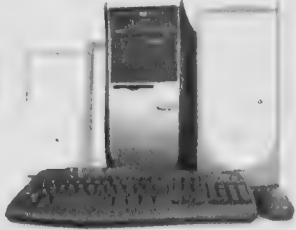
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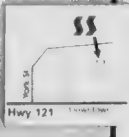
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"Eat Smart" and you could win a fall getaway for two at the Delta Pinestone Resort in Haliburton, plus dinner for two at the Heatherwood Delta Pinestone.

The Eat Smart Taste & Travel Haliburton Contest was officially launched recently by the Haliburton, Kawartha, and Pine Ridge District Health Unit.

How can you win you ask? It's easy... just dine in on of the "Eat Smart" restaurants and have your official entry card stamped. You can enter by filling out a passport (available at the accredited eateries). Once you have three stamps, (all three can be from the same restaurant) mail it into the local Health Unit Office at one York Lane, Top Floor, Haliburton, Ont., K0M 1S0.

The Eat Smart program has been expanded this year to include six local eateries. They include The Gravity Coffee House Minden, The Kosy Korner Haliburton, Old Country House Haliburton, Heatherwood Delta Pinestone Haliburton, Gallery

on the Green Delta Pinestone Haliburton and Sir Sam's Ski Area.

The program is designed to encourage not only restaurants to serve healthy eating choices but for patrons to choose them. The criteria for restaurants are that they meet three points - They must be smoke free, they must meet health standards for cleanliness, they must have a Certified Food Handler on staff

It is open to all restaurants in the county but each individual restaurant must apply to become part of the program. Since applications are voluntary it doesn't mean if your favourite eatery isn't on the list that they are a bad place to eat.

But you might want to stress that you are looking for healthy choices and therefore, maybe the restaurant would benefit from joining the program.

"Each of these restaurants is very deserving of the Eat Smart! Seal of approval" says Rosie Kadwell Registered Dietician with the Haliburton, Kawartha, and Pine Ridge District Health Unit. "We hope the Taste & Travel Haliburton Contest is just another reason for people to take advantage of a great Eat Smart Dining experience". The contest is open til September 15 2004. The Grand Prize is a fall getaway for two at the Delta Pinestone Resort in Haliburton (consists of a \$150. voucher towards one night accommodation for two plus dinner for two at the Heatherwood Delta Pinestone). More details are available at www.hkpr.on.ca.



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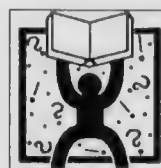
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YWCA Has New Home in Minden

One Step Closer to Safe House For Women in Haliburton County

The YWCA Women's Resource Centre has a new location. As of May 10th the centre has relocated in Minden at 11 Bobcaygeon Road, beside the Minden Animal Clinic. The centre was previously located in Haliburton in the lower level of Halco Plaza.

The move is part of a phase to eventually create a safe house for women and children who are escaping abuse. YWCA supervisor Linda Reade explains, "there used to be a safe house in Haliburton but due to government cutbacks the shelter was not sustainable. A core group approached the YWCA to help get a shelter. That was 5 years ago. It's been a long time coming to do that. It takes a lot of money to sustain a shelter. About \$140,000

per year. The govt has told us that to do a safe house we would have to do it in stages and moving here is stage one. Now all the services are under one roof. The idea is to expand and add on to this building and hopefully get some beds happening for those who need the services. People need to understand that it needs to be sustainable and the government wants numbers and figures, and we're working on that."

The group is planning for bigger fundraising and awareness programmes in the fall, and an open house in the near future. Haliburton County is the only county in Ontario without a shelter for women and children escaping domestic abuse. "Unfortunately it's a reality, but with the county's support we can make a difference," says Linda.

All current services offered in the previous location will still be available in the new location. Some of the services offered are: crisis assistance for women (in person or by phone), women's counselling, food boxes, meeting space and more. If you are a



woman who is being abused or your children are, do not hesitate to call the YWCA, as they are here to help. You can call the crisis line 24 hours a day at (800) 461-7656. You can reach the resource centre at (705) 286-1942, and the Women's Safety Network at (705) 286-6442. There is no charge for calls, no number will show up on your phone bill and they do not subscribe to call display. All calls are confidential. If you would like to know more about the YWCA Women's Resource Centre or would like to help support the efforts to cre-

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HEALTHY Tidbits

Did you Know? Facts about a couple senses....

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The benefits of sunlight go beyond some good colour, and can even make you happy. Natural light actually increases our level of serotonin, the chemical that stimulates the pleasure centre of our brains. This will improve your mood and help fight depression and anxiety. So if you are feeling stressed or overwhelmed from your planning duties, get outside. Take a walk or hike with your beloved and let the sun do its work!

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Joanne Nicks who is a certified reflexologist and Healing Touch apprentice organized the event. There will be 6 to 7 practitioners on site and you can try many different treatments by donation, and all proceeds go to 'Environment Haliburton'.

All the practitioners have volunteered their time, because they feel this will give a good opportunity to help a good cause and offer people who normally couldn't afford treatment or those who are sceptical a chance to see the benefits of holistic health treatments first hand and find out more about it.

The fair runs from 9a.m. to 4 p.m. on both days. To find out more please contact Joanne at (416) 421-9511 or email her at jnicks@sprint.ca.

Concerned About Well Water?... *Attend Well Water Forum...*

Are you concerned about your well or drinking water? There will be a well aware community forum in Haliburton at 7 p.m. on May 27th at the Haliburton Legion. If you have concerns you should attend and hear from a panel of well water experts who will answer any of your questions in a friendly atmosphere. Admission is free and refreshments will be served. The evening is hosted by Environment Haliburton for the Ontario Ground Water Association and Green Communities. For further information see the website www.environmenthaliburton.ca



Home Remedies

Somebody sent me an email full of old home remedies. There were tons of them, so I've decided to break them up into tidbits each issue - a little at a time so to speak. I can't say 100% that they all work cause I haven't tried each and every one... but there is something to say about some of these old home remedies. They certainly can't hurt to try... None of them can harm you, just possibly help you. Enjoy...

Drinking two glasses of Gatorade can relieve headache pain almost immediately — without the unpleasant side effects caused by traditional "pain relievers."

Did you know that Colgate toothpaste makes an excellent salve for burns?

STRESS BUSTERS

Quick Tips To Lower That Stress Level



Be Realistic

Recognize that no one feels great all the time. Life has its ups and downs. Even stress experts have times when they aren't in the best of moods and aren't handling stress as well as they could. In fact, there are times when the healthy response is to feel upset or sad – for example, when there's a legitimate injustice or a significant loss. Be careful not to judge yourself too harshly if you're having an occasional bad day. The key is to progress toward managing your stress more effectively overall, in spite of those occasional setbacks.

Forgive Yourself

Sometimes the hardest person to forgive is oneself. Recognize that you're not perfect. You will make mistakes. Sometimes huge ones. We all do. Could those mistakes have been avoided? Probably. But they weren't. At least not that time. In the future? Let's hope so.

Looking Good

Advice from the Beauty Expert

Problem: You trimmed your too-long bangs when they were wet. Now they're uneven, and you don't want to go any shorter.

Beauty Rx: Top stylist Peter Vancek at Pierre Michel Salon, in New York City, has this simple solution. Blow-dry and style hair as usual. Take skinny sections of hair just above areas where bangs are too short. Pull them forward to fill in the gaps in uneven areas; release and trim to the length you want.

Prevention 101: Never cut wet or damp bangs; hair shrinks up when it dries. And never pull on bangs as you trim. Pulling stretches the hair; when you let go, bangs are shorter than you want. For best results use haircutting shears. Cuticle or nail scissors, which are sharp and easy to handle, also work in a pinch. (This is no time to raid your child's arts-and-crafts supplies. Paper-cutting scissors are too blunt and will fray the ends.) Comb bangs the way you want to wear them, straight down or pushed to the side. Turn scissors inward as you snip. This leaves bangs with a soft finish — and no choppy edges.

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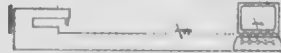
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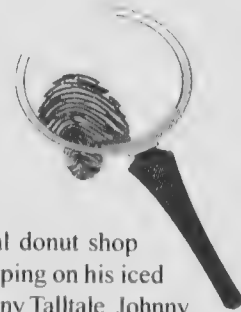
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Who Dun-It



Detective Minden sat at the local donut shop reading *The Communicator* and sipping on his iced tea. At the table next to him was Johnny Talltale. Johnny had a reputation for telling far out stories and anyone who knew him never believed half of what he said. Today though he was speaking to the new owner of the local hair salon who didn't know Johnny that well yet. He had a great tale for the newcomer. The detective listened to his story.

"My ancestors were real rugged individuals. My great grandfather was the sheriff back in the 1800's", said Johnny. "My grandfather was almost killed when standing over his wife's grave one day. He was alone at the cemetery when some vengeful desperado who he'd arrested for murder years earlier shot at him. Gramps was holding his hat over his heart. That saved his life! The bullet that was fired bounced off his wristwatch. His wrist was bruised pretty badly but at least the bullet didn't kill him. Gramps drew his Colt 45s and shot the gun right out of the guy's hand. They both hopped on their horses and a great chase began. Great grandpa caught up with the killer and dove off his horse and took the bad guy to the ground. The fistfight lasted 20 minutes until the outlaw gave up because he couldn't swing his arms anymore. Plus, both his eyes were so swollen shut that he couldn't even see what he was swinging at anyway!"

Detective Minden bit his lip and excused himself from the table to avoid laughing out loud.

What was wrong with Johnny's story this time?

answer on pg. 61...

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Kidz Korner

By Trevor Guyton

Now that spring has arrived everyone is probably getting ready for summer. That probably means a few things. Your mom will probably pull out your summer clothes and have you spend all day going through them trying on everything to see if it fits. You will probably be pulling out all of your summer gear. Things like your ball gloves, soccer balls, footballs and your bike.

This edition of Kidz Korner is about biking. Almost everyone likes to ride a bike. You can go for nice relaxing rides down the road or a trail. I think that most kids like using their bikes for doing jumps and tricks. So you know it is illegal to not wear a helmet if you are a kid.

If you decide that you are going to use your bike for doing jumps, you should try to have the right type of bike, a BMX or a mountain bike with shocks should save your "behind" from a hard landing. When you are doing jumps make sure that you have a solid ramp that is secure. If you have mastered a jump so that you get good height and good distance you may want to try a few tricks. **YOU HAVE TO BE ABLE TO DO A VERY GOOD JUMP THAT YOUR PARENTS APPROVE OF BEFORE TRYING ANY TRICKS OR STUNTS.** As a beginner there are a few tricks you can try and when you get better you can try some harder tricks



Why? Because ... Scientifically Speaking



Why Does Hair Go Grey?

Grey or white is the base colour of hair, just as the base colour of leaves is yellow or brown. Pigment cells located at the base of each hair follicle produce the natural dominant colour that we identify as the hair colour. As a person ages, more and more of the pigment cells die, and colour is lost from individual hairs. Thus, a person's hair gradually shows more and more grey. Interestingly, the pigment cells often speed up pigment production with age, so hair sometimes darkens temporarily before the cells die.

Haliburton's Own Mini Olympics

Come on out and cheer on the students and enjoy our very own 'mini-olympics'. 300 students from eight schools in the county will be back competing at the Royal Canadian Legions 8th annual Track and Field Meet on Saturday May 29th at the Haliburton High School.

Opening ceremonies begin at 9:45 a.m. featuring the Haliburton Legion Colour Party, Pipe Band prayer, and athletic benediction, and opening remarks. Trophies will be presented at approximately 3:30 p.m. everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend and watch the students compete. There will be food and refreshments available on the premises. Be sure to come check out our athletic students in action.

Haliburton Dance Arts Summer Programs Starting Soon

Haliburton Dance Arts is winding down another great season! Company students competed in three competitions this year and were awarded with golds, high golds, emerald and even many highest overall marks of the competition!

The annual Dance Showcase is fast approaching on June 4, 5 and 6th and is sure to be an amazing show! Anyone interested in tickets can call the studio at 705-457-1561

Summer plans are underway with three weeks of day camp at the studio as well as some intensive workshops for advanced dancers. The summer daycamp is a terrific opportunity to explore many different dance forms as well as having a great time creating crafts, playing games and making new friends!

Campers will experiment with acrobatics (gymnastics combined with jazz), musical theatre, ballet, jazz, hip hop and more! Camp leaders Chyna Schell and Tanis Carey are senior students and dance instructors with HDA and make it their mission to see that all campers have a fabulous time. The atmosphere is caring and the focus is on fun! Children will visit local parks and put on a terrific end of week performance for their families.

Their intensive workshops will be taught by both local and out of town instructors. These classes are for advanced dancers interested in learning new technique while maintaining technical skills over the summer break. These classes are open to all advanced dancers from in and out of the county.

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'Creative Kids' Program Great For Youths 4 - 12

This is for all youth ages 4 to 12 who are creative, love to do art or would like to learn and improve on their drawing skills. Every Monday evening from 6:30 to 7:30 at the Gooderham Community Centre, kids have the opportunity to learn from artist Linda Middleton from Crystal Image Studio in Harcourt.

Linda has her Creative and Visual Arts Diploma from St. Lawrence College in Kingston and is a qualified art teacher.

The programme is called 'Creative Kids' and was started up on February 16th when Gooderham resident Donna Graham was talking to Linda

Hillbilly drawn by Tanner



about trying to get more things going in the community for kids. Linda offered up her knowledge in art and thus 'Creative Kids' was born.

Linda says they are averaging around 7 to 8 kids per evening and sometimes as many as 12 show up. "It's amazing to watch the excitement when these kids come in through the door. They just love it! They are really creative and regardless of whether they can or can't draw well yet it's o.k., as long as they enjoy it and come out."

Linda says she is teaching the youth to practice blind contour drawing, which gets the brain and the hand working

together. They also learn cartooning, and crafts. "Some of the little ones strictly do crafts, while the older ones do both. There's no good or bad or wrong or right with art. As long as the kids understand they can communicate through art, it's ok."

Linda would like to invite any youth out on the Monday evenings who like to be creative and learn, and would also like to start creative kids nights in the villages of Harcourt and

Highland Grove. She asks all interested parents to call her and let her know if their child would like to participate. To learn more about the 'Creative Kids' programme please give Linda a call at 448-9397.



Carissa (Self Portrait) age 4

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This event draws a huge crowd every year because it's loads of fun and you can win great prizes for literally pennies! Here's how it works. Many prizes are donated to the raffle, as it is a fundraiser for the Wilberforce volunteer recreation committee. All the prizes are laid out on tables for viewing, (minus the large ones like loads of gravel of course). For only one dollar you can purchase a sheet of 25 tickets. For every \$5 you spend you get one extra sheet of tickets. Now you peruse all of the available prizes and decide which ones you would like to win. You drop as many tickets in the ballot box beside the prize as you want for your chance to win (the more tickets you put in that

box, the better your odds). It is simply a luck of the draw pick. Of all entries, one ticket is pulled and if it matches your number you win that prize!

The doors are open on Saturday between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. in the afternoon and 5:30 and 7:30 pm to deposit your tickets, and the raffle starts at 7:30 p.m. There are also lots for the kids to do with kiddie games and sale/exhibit tables. Once you deposit your tickets in the afternoon you can go home or do some shopping but you need to be present at raffle time to win your prize, or someone on your behalf can claim it for you. Here's a great suggestion for you. Between 5 and 7 p.m. the Wilberforce Volunteer Police Association puts on a delicious Roast Beef dinner just across the street at the Lloyd Watson Centre for only \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 5 to 10 years old. If you haven't been to one of this groups' dinners before you should definitely check it out-you'll be raving about it all night! Be sure to come to the penny raffle if you can make it and see why this event causes such a stir each year. The event is also a fundraiser for the rec committee who does so much for the area. All proceeds from the raffle go towards a much-needed sound system for the Monmouth arena. See you there!

Play Horseshoes... A Gooderham Tradition

The game of horseshoes is a good fun game for both men and women of all ages. In Gooderham, the game of horseshoes is a tradition one that spans over 30 years or more. Over the past 30 years, Gooderham has been home to countless horseshoe tournaments, but even earlier horseshoes was played by the Orange Hall and beside Barr's Store.

In keeping with tradition, fast approaching is this year's first tournament which will be held May 28 at 10 a.m. This tournament

is for the District 11 Haliburton / Muskoka senior games. The winner of the game will play in Provincial at St. Catharines on August 16-18 2004.

The tradition continues with the Gooderham Junebug tournament scheduled for June 19th at 11 a.m. at the Gooderham Community Centre. Sponsored by Osaca Log Homes and organized by Art

Grant. This will be the thirteenth year for the tournament.

Let's not forget largest tournament of all - the Gooderham Horseshoe Days. This will be the twenty-ninth this year. The first game was played in town beside Clifford Stoughton Garage on main street. The first fun days were called Gooderham's Little Brown Bottle days. The new community centre was built and the tournaments were moved to this location.

This site hosts 15 pits, which will allow 60 persons to play at once. This year the horseshoes will be July 31 for the doubles at 11 am and August 1 for singles at 10 a.m. This event is sponsored by the Horseday committee. You can register at the day of the event. So plan to have some fun and come out to play horseshoes. Keep the legend alive & strong! For more information you can contact Ron Barr 447-3092.

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Highlands Buy & Sell: New Business Returns

For all of you who like buy and sell stores, you'll be happy to know that 'Highlands Buy and Sell' has just opened up in Haliburton - located in behind Stedman's Mall. The business is in the same location that the 'Tartan Barter Shop' used to operate, and is actually operated by the previous partners of that business- Rick and June Hendry-Lesperance. "We love the business but decided a year and a half ago to close the Tartan Barter because we had a child and I wanted to be home with our son Hunter," explains June.

Now the couple are back in the business and happy for it. Rick says, "I was on the road for 4 years as a grades man in road construction, and now it's great to be able to operate a business here and be home with my family." The couple now have a newborn, Mason.

'Highlands Buy and Sell' is just as the name implies. If you have something that is of good quality, they will pay you cold hard cash for it. If you see something you want to buy in the store, you will get a good deal on it.

"We go to lots of auctions and buy things but we'll buy

things right off the street. We're basically the same as the Tartan Barter but with a new name," says Rick. One change is that the store will not be carrying CDs anymore.

Check out the new location if you have something to sell or you are just looking for a good bargain. The store is open Tuesday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. You can reach the store at 455-9548.



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with Bonnie

*Submitted by Bonnie Pentney, Master Gardener
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To all lawn enthusiasts growing a lush green lawn is not an easy task. First and foremost you must not cut your grass low. I know that we don't feel our lawns look nice and neat when we leave the grass tall, but trust me mowing at a higher height is the only way to go. Wait to mow your grass in the spring until it is at least 2 1/2" to 3 inches long, and then only remove the top 1/2 to 1 inch. After this first early spring mowing you can leave your grass height between 1 1/2 - 2 inches tall. Turfgrasses when mowed high will be more drought resistant, less susceptible to diseases and require less fertilizing and water. A healthy lush lawn is our best defense in discouraging weeds from establishing. Also, healthy turfgrass with time will crowd out any weeds that are already established in your lawn. Kentucky blue grass when mowed to a height of 2 inches might have a root system of 10 - 12 inches deep, but when mowed at 1 inch the root system may only grow from 4 to 5 inches deep. The deeper the root system the more water and nutrients are readily available. My personal preferences in mowing heights are - Spring - 1 1/2 inches, Summer - 2 inches, Early Fall - 1 1/2 inches, Last Fall mowing cut 1 inch tall.

Fertilizing your lawn is another significant factor in developing a beautiful lawn. I know that there are company's that produce turfgrass fertilizers that encourage us to use their products on nearly a monthly basis during the entire growing season. If you are able and willing to apply fertilizers to your lawn as these companies recommend then do so. Your lawn will certainly benefit from these applications. But if you are not prepared to follow this routine, then I recommend to you that if you were only able to apply fertilizer to your lawn once a year then the most important time to fertilize is in late fall. In our area this would be around the end of October when the grass is not actively growing, but early enough for the roots to take up the

How to grow a beautiful Lawn

nitrogen. The beneficial results of this late fall application of fertilizer are many i.e. better root development in the spring, earlier start to spring growth, delays spring nitrogen application until June, improved recovery from winter diseases, better drought tolerance and recovery from summer drought stress.

There are many other cultural practices we can use to improve the appearance of our lawns such as, applying dolomitic limestone yearly to our Highlands acidic soil; use of a sharp mulching blade on our mowers; grass clippings should be left on the lawn and only raked off when they are excessively heavy; when watering your lawn in a drought situation a minimum of 1 inch of water at a time must be applied.

All in all we can drive ourselves crazy trying to have the "Perfect Lawn" or we can accept and appreciate that our lawn quality may be less than desirable at certain times of the year, but on the whole is still quite satisfactory. Now if you were to see our lawn you would understand that just because I know how to grow a beautiful lawn certainly doesn't mean that I have the time or inclination to do so. The old adage comes to mind, lets take the time to "Stop and Smell the Roses".

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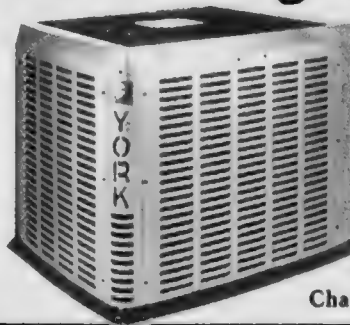
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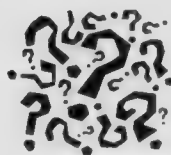
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Get Your Car Washed & Help Support Proposed Shaun Chapman Memorial Skateboard Park

GET OUT OF THE WAY! Darn kids on skateboards! Have you ever said that? I think lots of people have. It could be that those kids don't have anywhere else to ride their skateboards. So what can we do about this? Well we could just go on saying 'get out of the way,' or we could help out with a great idea!

Two years ago an idea was born: an idea for a skateboard park in Kinmount. At that time it was just a thought and it was put on the back burner for a while. Then the idea of a skateboard park for youth in Kinmount was sparked again.

The park would be called "The Shaun Chapman Memorial Skateboard Park" named after Shaun Chapman, a young boy who last winter met with a tragic accident. Shaun was well respected and loved in the community. He was a great teen who shared his time and love for life with everyone he met. Shaun's friends would like to honour his memory, and celebrate his life, his love for sports, and his love for family/friends.....through this skateboard park, they would like the memory of Shaun to be a happy one.

The construction of the park will give youth in Kinmount somewhere to ride skateboards, and not just a flat road or a curb; the park would have challenging curves and jumps, designed and built by the kids who would be using them, somewhere safe to go and ride keeping pedestrians, cars and skateboards out of each others way.

Lynn Kilby and Kim Harrison are the Treasurer's and Susan Dier created and maintains the skateboard park web page which can be viewed at www.geocities.com/kinmount_skateboard_park.

So far they have had four meetings and attendance keeps getting stronger, but they are in need of help in the way of more sponsors and volunteers. High School students who volunteer may put the hours spent toward their community service hours.

Get Your Car Washed & Help This Great Cause:

Fundraising for the park is ongoing in some fun ways. They are having a BBQ/Car Wash on Saturday May 29th 2004 (rain date June 5th 2004) Sounds good to me! Eat some BBQ while your car is getting washed and all for a good cause! They have registered with "Armor All". They are sending a package consisting of four buckets, 8 Mitts, 2 "Armor All" Car Wash Soaps, Tire Foam, Protective Wipes, and signs so it sounds like your going to get quite a car wash.

Prepaid Car Wash Tickets are on Sale Now!! Buy your prepaid ticket and one person will win \$25.00 in gas donated by: Lucky's Service Station, Kinmount.

Buy Maple Lodge Products:

Then in the beginning of June they will be selling Maple Lodge Farms products to raise money for the park and for every item you buy \$2.00 will go toward the park and anyone buying \$25.00 or

more will receive a Maple Lodge Farms cookbook.

On October 3rd 2004 they will be having a United Way with Trailfest walk with pledges. All money raised will be split 50/50 between the skateboard park and the United Way. two good causes you can help out at the same time. and hey! - get some exercise while your at it. The walk begins at Kenway Conservation Area and ends in Kinmount but you can start anywhere along the way and there will be a BBQ in Kinmount afterwards.



Shaun Chapman

Participants may walk run or ride a bike and there will be a shuttle available to return you to your start point.

Now you may ask 'what can I do?' You can volunteer, donate money or we can even do it in a fun way by participating in their fundraising efforts

Everyone involved in this project has put a lot of time and effort into it, so let's help out as much as

we can.

The biggest issue facing the skateboard park now is looking for a suitable location; the insurance is looked after as long as it's on city property.

You may mail or deposit donations in person to: Mariposa Community Credit Union, Main Street P.O. Box 69, Kinmount, Ontario, Canada K0M 2A0. Make cheques payable to: "The Shaun Chapman Memorial Skateboard Park". If you are willing to donate materials and or your time, please call or email Lynne Kilby 488-2919 - email lynne.kilby@sympatico.ca, or Susan Dier, 488-1419 - email susan.dier@sympatico.ca



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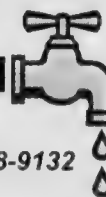


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... And The Plumby Goes To...

Hello again. This weeks column is a salute to the tireless 'do it yourself' who can't take "it's broken" for an answer. Thanks to Ken, 'the humble craftsman' for the inspiration.

There are many different hardware stores that cater to the "do it yourself" these days and many people look at this as being a great way to fix the old place up and save a little money at the same time. Re-tiling the bathroom, how hard could it be?

Around midnight this question gets answered. Pretty *&% hard. But you can't quit now. The toilet is off, that black plastic thing is cracked, the wax seal is all over everything and the women of the house have a call that needs answering. Oh no...the flooring salesman said this would be easy!

I wonder what would happen to salesmen if they made follow-up house calls around midnight the same day they made the sale? It's probably a good thing they don't; I'd rather the hospital emergency room not be filled with salesmen waiting to have a ceramic tile removed from their backside.

The only way out of this mess is your own determination and the line-up outside the bathroom door is forcing you to "be all you can be". That's pressure. You have to give the performance of your life and it should be recognized.

With all the award shows these days, the Grammys, the Oscars, the Emmys, I'm inventing my own award. "The Plumby's". I have to come up with a trophy design yet but you can imagine it highlighting one particular body part that is often associated with the trade. It will be awarded to persons showing greatness in an area, not necessarily plumbing, that doesn't get acknowledged enough, but should.

The Plumby for outstanding achievement in the area of "sticking with doing it the right way even though it's late and impossible," goes to... Ken Sr. from Wilberforce. Take a bow Ken, then get back to work..Igotta go!

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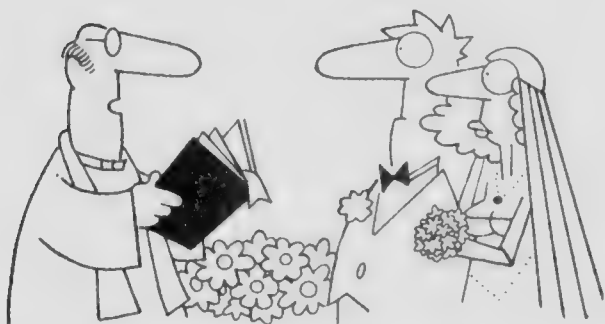
Have You Ever Wondered?...



Is this really true that sitting too close to the TV will ruin your eyes?

First the good news: according to most eye specialists, claims that you'll ruin your eyes by sitting too close to the TV, reading in bed, using inadequate light, etc., are old wives' tales. The bad news is that the old wives may have been right.

First let's dispose of the TV threat. Virtually no one believes that under ordinary circumstances television watching poses any special danger. (Well, physically, anyway.) Prior to 1968 or so some sets emitted excessive X-rays, but that problem has now been eliminated. More recently concern has arisen about computer video display terminals (VDTs), which typically are viewed at much closer range than televisions; research is inconclusive so far but continuing. To be on the safe side some eye doctors say you shouldn't let your kids get closer than five feet to the TV screen, the room shouldn't be pitch black, etc. But the intention is to prevent eye fatigue, not eye damage.



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That is exactly what Sally Moore and Jan Clarke and Campi the host Dalmatian have done with Sunny Rock B & B. The original cottage was erected in 1928 by a Finn called Woitto Einer Konni and his wife Alice. Jooseppi Tikka, the logsmith, traded his skills for a piece of land across the road. The area called the Finnish village became known when Finnish immigrants came to visit the Sunny Rock Villa in the 1930's. The original cottage is now the dining room. "Wherever possible while renovating or adding additions we tell all contractors to preserve the as much as we can" says Sally. "The history and Sunny Rock's



story is a very important part of a guests stay". Following the recent renovation as a major addition Sunny Rock has six guestrooms and the luxurious Pine Studio, which is a separate building on the property. Both buildings over look the falls created by the Scott's Dam

Upon entering Sunny Rock you are immediately struck with the sense that this is a place where history meets contemporary. Although breakfast is served in the breakfast nook in the sunroom, the formal dining room still has the original log walls that were erected in the twenties. The new sunroom addition uses the back of the old stone fireplace as a prominent feature with two tree trunks on either side and a large tree base holding the hearth. The new timberframe structure coordinates with the timeless idea that the Konni's had in building a place for people

to meet, enjoy company and relax. Sally and Jan are certainly not out to change that idea either.

As you take the stairs to the second floor you will begin to notice a very deep and loving commitment to friends and family. Sally & Jans Founder Photos, those who inspired the purchase of Sunny Rock, adorn the wall at the top of the stairs. Guests are welcome to ask questions like who, where and when. But don't expect short answers. The people, like the place, have lots of history and meaning. The bedrooms are named after these people, for example her sister, her mother and father and other close friends. Each bedroom has a slightly different design scheme. In the hallway there are two small alcoves serving as a shelf with knickknacks from some of the places Sally and Jan have been. "These alcoves" Sally explains "were the original, and only window that over looked the river and falls".

The original etched glass window has been saved for use in other parts of the B & B. The ceiling is original tongue and groove pine now painted white. In the two new bedroom additions there are cathedral

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ceilings and incredible views over looking the Drag River. Pine walls and ceilings are the norm here and the sense of warmth the wood reflects is beautiful. Outside the sliding glass patio doors you can hear the falls as you stand on the private balcony enjoying the view. The bathrooms are really where history collides with contemporary. Gone are the crude amenities that you may have found in bathrooms at the turn of the century. There is nothing old about these bathrooms.

Sunny Rock is the only tourism rental accommodation in the Haliburton Highlands that has steam showers. Unlike dry heat saunas, these shower enclosures baste you with a warm steam. The facilities are clean and



sparkling throughout and contain regular bathtubs and showers for those into a more traditional experience. When finished the bedroom tour you are quickly struck by the hope that breakfast is not an early event as sleeping in looks to be a good choice followed by a relaxing steam shower.



Outside on the new deck the smell of rich cedar is in the air. The craftsmen hired to build the new deck have used a railing system that is both functional and not obstructive of the view. Sally says "we have contracted Diezel Woodworks, Glenn Diezel and his crew for the building and finishing because of their attention to timberframe detail and the quality of the finished product". The Pine Studio building, also built by Glenn, reflects Sally's statement of quality. Inside you see it is of a timberframe design with cathedral ceilings. There is a plaque on the large stonewall in the foyer where you enter dedicating this building to Sally's late mother and father. The fireplace inside has a mantle piece made from part of a tree trunk removed from the property. It still bears the stumps sticking out to show where the branches were. Sally says "the sawmill hired to cut the trees on the property broke down when cutting the mantle so we assumed it was karma and used it as it was". The main beam in the ceiling and all the trim are from the same tree. This building also tells the story of

family with the picture of "Carlyle" the clown presently hanging over the mantle that once hung in Sally's parents home for years. With the passing of her parents, it stands proudly in its new home in the Pine Studio.

Sally is not only a successful businessperson but she also runs many annual fundraising events. "While we are the perfect place for a wedding, cocktail party or weekend of romance, Sunny Rock is also the perfect place for fundraising events" she says, "we can show organizations how to spend a little in order to raise a lot and have

fun at the same time". Ever the philanthropist she strives to give back to her community in many ways from fund raising to purchasing locally wherever possible.

The Sunny Rock Bed & Breakfast is a true destination point. Much more than a place to "crash" on a journey, it is a place where the city is left far behind, especially when Sally does her personal touches like the lighting of a candle at breakfast "to honour all those who have eaten here from days past". It is hard to think of the office or your cell phone as Sally unveils the history of those who sat where you are sitting, walked where you are walking and made friends where you are making friends. As the sign says in the sunroom Sunny Rock B&B is truly a place you come to "sit long, talk much and laugh often". Sally and Jan would love for you to drop by and see the new additions and experience the incredible Sunny Rock history.

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Mix & Mingle At "Arty Party"

It's going to be a party... an Arty Party that is. If you are the creative type, or if you just want to get out there and mix and mingle, here's an event for you.

On Thursday, June 10th you are invited to meet other creative people, welcome other creative people to the community, celebrate the arts, and hear about new initiatives at the "Arty Party" taking at the Carnarvon Bowl from 5:30-8:30 p.m..

The Arty Party' is hosted by the Arts Council For Haliburton County and all are invited to attend. There will be a mix and mingle, official welcome, a potluck dinner, a musical interlude from members of the cast of 'The Sound Of Music' and more social time. After 8:30 there will be live music at the Lounge Café in Carnarvon.

There will be door prizes handed out including two golf passes for Pinestone, and two passes to a Highlands Summer Festival play.

All attendants are asked to bring a dish that would serve four to six people. Please bring food that can be served "as is" - there is no facilities to reheat dishes. A table will be set up for you to display your flyers and brochures. Tea and coffee will be provided and there will be a cash bar. What a great way to meet people and show your creativity.

For further details call Patti at 457-3555 or Jim at 457-5278.

Trail Mixer Dance Gonna Be A Fun Night!

Get Your Tickets Now!!!

If you are looking for something fun to get you out of the house on Saturday June 5th, get your dancing shoes on and come on out and celebrate International Trails Day at the "Trail Mixer" adopt a meter grand launch party at the Carnarvon Bowl dance hall. Karaoke, DJ dancing and hilarity with the trail mixer challenge will entertain you and your taste buds will be tantalized with great food by Franka's Delectables. There will be spot dances and door prizes as well.

This is a fundraising event for the trails and tours network who are hard at work making our county a wonderful place to become one with nature through a series of walking and hiking trails

Tickets are only \$10 for trails and tours members and \$12 for non-members. You can pre purchase your tickets at the Trails and Tours office in Carnarvon, at the Chamber of commerce in Minden or you can simply show up and pay at the door. This is a 'smoke free' event.

Through the adopt a meter programme people can give tax deductible donations, to the programme which helps pay to cut and maintain trails for all to use in Haliburton County. The donor simply chooses their favourite trail from a list, completes a form and submits a donation. The donors can have their name, company name, name or an organization, or friend or loved one mounted at the railhead of their chosen trail. Sponsors will also receive a personalized trail certificate and a subscription to 'Yours in The Outdoors' - the networks newsletter.

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Gopher's Cafe Small in Size, But Big on Value & Taste

Tucked away in the heart of downtown Haliburton Village is a "small but mighty" eatery that packs a mean little punch when it comes to home cooking. Once you try the food for yourself, you're sure to return for another round. And speaking of round, that's how your stomach will feel after your meal because owners Bud and Donna Friesman believe in giving their customers what they came for- good food at a good price and lots of it. Gophers Café is located in the lower level of the Stedman's mall and has an excellent breakfast and lunch menu with a wide variety of choices that will never have you leaving hungry. You are assured whatever choice you make from the menu, your meal will be home made and fresh. Some customer favorites include the chicken clubhouse sandwich with fresh cut fries, the homemade burgers, and the homemade soup of the day is always guaranteed to warm you up and tantalize your taste buds. Gophers Cafe always has a different special of the day, and repeats your favorite from time to time.

Bud and Donna Friesman, (Fries Man! No pun intended)- who are, or should I say were both retired, one day three years ago walked by an empty space in the Stedmans mall and said "Hey we could make that place work". The couple started the cafe and the rest is history. Even though there were "nay sayers" they plugged along and business has grown steadily ever since. So much so that they are opening

another Gophers Cafe in Gooderham on July 1st. Wow! Now that's a success story! But this story has grown from hard work on Bud and Donna's part." We have built a very loyal customer base," says Bud. "It's a very relaxed atmosphere in here and people like that." If you haven't been into the restaurant and met Bud and Donna be sure to drop in and say hello. It won't be long before you've made new friends with the friendly staff and found yourself a new little spot to fill your belly.

So next time you're hungry, give Gophers Café a try. You'll love the fast, friendly service and the food will speak for itself. Bud and Donna will gladly fill phoned in orders, which is great if you're on a tight schedule. Imagine phoning the restaurant from work and when you get there, your

home cooked meal is ready and waiting! Gopher's cafe is a smoking establishment, but non-smokers need not fret- they have a smoke extractor system that has a much larger capacity than needed for the space they occupy. Gophers Café has seating for 28 people and is open Monday to Saturday 7am

3pm to reach the restaurant call 457-1296. So drop in and see Bud and Donna Friesman and staff for a fresh home cooked meal. We're sure you'll become a repeat customer.



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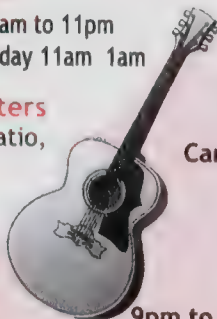
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Saturday
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Get Your Tickets Now For Haliburton Lake Project Dinner & Auction

Get out a pen & your calendar, and jot down July 2 – you will want to keep this date aside for the upcoming 5th Annual O.F.A.H. Haliburton Lake Troup Project Dinner & Auction.

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In the mid 1980's Fisheries scientists discovered that these native lake trout were genetically distinct from all other lake trout stocks in the Province. These fish showed rapid early growth and maturity, characteristics that allow this strain to withstand more fishing pressure and higher harvest levels than other lake trout. Local anglers long suspected that these fish were different because of their smaller, torpedo-shaped body, strong fighting ability and their delicious salmon-coloured flesh.

Our native lake trout, known as "Haliburton Gold", is found in only a handful of lakes in Haliburton County. They have been designated as a heritage species.

The Haliburton Lake Trout Project: "Building a Better Fishery Together"

The Haliburton Lake Trout Project (HLTP) is an exciting, community-based effort designed to enhance our lake trout fisheries. Volunteers and professionals from the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (OMNR) and the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters (OFAH) have joined forces to improve angling opportunities and learn more about this precious resource.

A major component of this project is devoted to protecting the "Haliburton Gold" lake trout strain and reintroducing them into selected lakes within the County. Volunteers work at the hatchery, stock lakes, restore habitat, assist in gathering research data, raise funds and communicate the goals of the project to the community. OMNR and OFAH fisheries specialists provide scientific and technical expertise to ensure that the project is grounded in good science.

The HLTP has become a model for partnership development in the delivery of fish and wildlife programs for the Province. This project promotes public awareness and stewardship in the management of our lake trout fisheries in Haliburton County. Community support and involvement are vital to the project's success.

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First things first, but not necessarily in that order.

This Summer The Hills Will Be Alive With Music, Shrieks And Sighs

Not only will the hills be alive with the sound of music this summer, but there could also be the occasional shriek from an intended murder victim, a sigh from a love-sick poet and, well, even more music.

The music, shrieks and sighs are all part of the exciting line-up for this year's Highlands Summer Festival. The live theatre company, which is preparing for its fifth season at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion at the High School in Haliburton, is once again offering an eclectic mixture of entertainment this summer.

"Rodgers and Hammerstein's *The Sound of Music* is definitely the biggest production we have undertaken in the festival's history," show director Dave Mills commented. "This show has a cast of 26, drawn from our local community," he added. In addition to the cast, there are many individuals working backstage to make the production a success. Sharing the directorial responsibilities with Mills is Music Director Melissa Stephens and Choreographer Julie Barban.

There are four great plays in total lined up for this year's Highlands Summer Festival. In addition to *The Sound of Music*, the following plays are coming our way:

THRILLER OF THE YEAR, by Glyn Jones - An author worries when the scenes depicted in her recent murder mystery become real life experiences. Are these mere coincidences or are others attempting to bring her words to life with fatal consequences? Everyone is a suspect as the mystery slowly unfolds through a number of fascinating twists until its dramatic and surprising conclusion.

THE PERFECT RHYME, by Barry Yzereef - A love-struck poet, unable to meet his heart throb, pens paeans from afar. That is, until she arrives at his door to confront her frustrated admirer. She is angry with the poet's efforts and attempts to get him to recant his words and salvage what is left of her tattered reputation. In this humorous send-up of love gone awry, the two engage in a battle of wits that ultimately draws them closer together.

ENCORE - One more time! Our three musicians reprise some of the best and most requested numbers from the first four years of Highlands Summer Festival classical music concerts and a selection of new pieces. Join pianist and singer Lauren McInnes, flautist Tom Regina and the multi-talented Melissa Stephens for a delightful evening of memories and beautiful music.

Get Your Tickets Now

It is an entertaining line-up of productions that will appeal to everyone. Tickets are \$65 plus GST each for a summer pass - this entitles you to all four shows, or single passes can be purchased at \$20 plus GST per show.

For more info, or to order tickets you can call 457-9933, or visit their website at www.highlandssummerfestival.on.ca and follow links to ticket purchase.

The following are the dates of the performances:

* Thriller of the Year (a thriller) opens June 28 and continues June 29, July 7, 13, 16, 21, 30, August 5

* The Perfect Rhyme (comedy) opens June 30 and continues July 1, 2, 9, 15, 20, 26, August 4

* The Sound of Music (musical) opens July 5, and continues July 6, 11 (matinee), 12, 22, 23, 25 (matinee), 28, 29, August 2, 3

* Encore (classical music concert) opens July 8 and continues July 14, 19, 27, August 6

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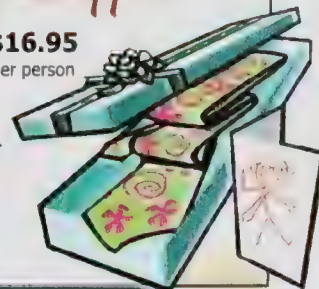
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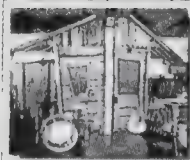
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Johnny is a Canadian Country Music Legend with many Country Music Awards to his credit - he's even played the Grand Ole Opry, and he will be appearing live in Carnarvon at The Lounge Café this coming May 28.

Attention guitar players! Johnny's guitar player, *Steve Pittico*, is a must see!!! Don't miss this one!!!

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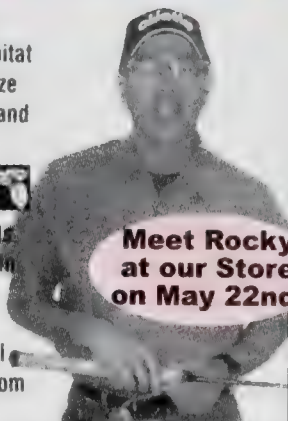
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Live Music LineUp Fantastic This Summer!

If you love live music, the Haliburton Highlands is the place to be this summer. There is great live entertainment lined up for both the World Famous Rockcliffe Motel in Minden. See pg 63 for this month's lineups.

A little further north is the Firehouse Restaurant. There is a ton of great live entertainment lined up for this summer. To see a list of all the bands see pg 47.

Play Cards, Socialize & Help Raise Money For Needed Washer Disinfectors For Hospital

If you enjoy playing euchre and bridge and have some free time on your hands on May 21st you can help a good cause by showing up to play at the Haliburton Legion at 12:00 noon for the annual Haliburton Highlands Auxiliary Site's card party. This year the auxiliary is raising money for washer disinfectors. The cost to attend is only \$7, which includes lunch and your chance for some great prizes.

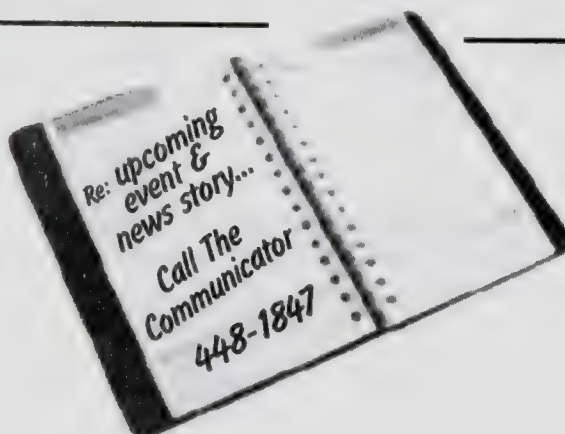
BIG BRUNCH Back at Minden Legion

Yum!! Minden Legion is the place to be on May 23rd. Branch 636 is pleased to offer another in their ongoing series of Big Brunches starting at 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

The cost is \$10 per adults and children under 7 are \$6.

The menu includes juice, rools, fresh fruit cup, eggs, bacon, pancakes, onion rings, cold cuts, hot lunch dish, salads, assorted desserts, cheese, coffee and tea. For more information you can contact Peter Overington at 457-9322.

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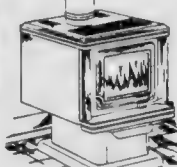
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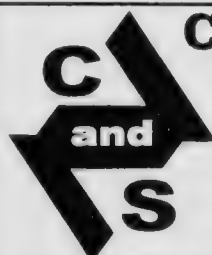


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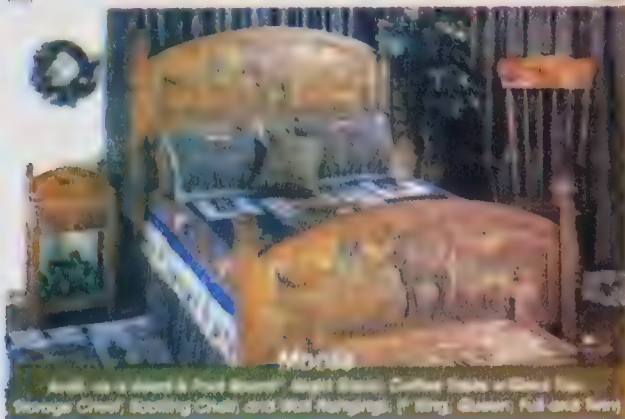
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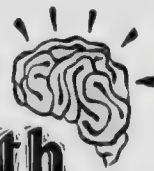
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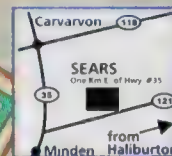
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The Visiting Grandmother

This man took this photo while they were celebrating a birthday of this little girl (the girl was related to him). He had taken few photos of the celebration using the camera flash and few without the flash.

This image was there in the photos which he didn't use the flash.

When he developed the film role he had seen this strange

image standing behind the sofa.

Specially he says that a living person can't stand there

because there was no space between

the sofa and the windows. He

thinks that it's the

ghost of this little girls grandmother who died several years before her birth. You can clearly see her lifted right hand. They think she's

looking at this girls birthday celebration.



The 'Sounds of Spring' Will Be Heard May 30th

The Minden United Church Choir is pleased to announce a Spring Music and Song fundraising extravaganza.

This key event will be held on Sunday, May 30th at the church on Newcastle Street in Minden.

This musical variety concert entitled "Sounds of Spring" is an important addition to the exciting spring music calendar in the Highlands. This concert features prominent Highland's soloists: Kathy Rogers, John Miller, Leah Logan, Cathy Cox, and Josh Wales.

Performances from the Gentlemen of Song, The Tri Vocals and the Highlands Male Chorus will add to the enjoyment of this evening's programme.

The doors open at 7 p.m. – the entertainment begins at 7:30 p.m. The show is approximately 2 hours in length, followed by refreshments and a social.

Tickets are available from Minden's Pharmasave Drug Store or from any Minden United Church Choir Member, or call 286-6307.

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A big cheers goes out to the Haliburton Legion dart team who defeated a team of dart players from Bedford England over the phone on May 8th. Over the phone? Yes, for 22 years running our legion has been competing with a group of dart players from England while scorekeepers stay tuned in to each other live via the phone lines, and let the other side know how the players are doing. The tradition was started by the late Reg Crockett of Haliburton in 1982. Reg had a friend who played darts in a pub in England and they decided to compete together in a game of 301 live over the lines. The tradition continues and now the Legion plays off against a bunch from a pub called 'The Greyhound of Bedford'. The game scores are based on the honour system, and last around 45 minutes. The prize for winning the match? Bragging rights, that's all. You should think at least a round of beer for the winners by the other team eh? I mean, they could always take the losers credit card number over the phone. Just a thought. So far over the years Haliburton is up by one tournament win. Very close again this year.

Congrats to the Haliburton team with the eagles eyes, Chris Briggs, Lou Trepanier, Gary Thorpe, Jack Briggs, Keith Smith, Al Clement, and Jack Greavette.

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Church Events

Gigantic Yard Sale

Haliburton United church

(Corner of Pine & George St in Haliburton.

Saturday, May 22 - 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. For more information call 457-1891

Yard Sale

United Church - Wilberforce

Saturday May 22. Starting at 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Roast Pork Loin & Salad Supper

Lochlin United Church

(Lochlin Rd. off County Rd. 1)

Saturday May 29th.

Three seating times available for this popular annual event 5, 6 & 7 p.m. Tickest are \$12 per adult, \$5 for Children under 12 and preschoolers are free. To reserved your tickets call Lois at 286-1765.

Sounds of Spring

(A Musical Variety Concert)

Minden United Church

Sunday, May 30 - 7:30 p.m.

Admission \$10, Children 12 & Under \$5. Featuring: Highlands Male Chorus, Gentlemen of Song, Tri Vocals, plus Solos & Duets. Tickets available through Choir members, or at the Pharmasave Drug Store in Minden.

Musical Sunday

United Church - Wilberforce

June 6 - at 11:30 a.m.

All welcome to attend. Musical guest include The Gentlemen of Song, & the Tory Hil Trio. Pot luck event. Luncheon to follow entertainment. Contact Myrtle Weedmark at 448-2761

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Paddler's Journal

by
David Alexander Risk

*Naturalist
&
Artist*



The American Goldfinch



As I paddle along the shores of our northern lakes in the month of May, life abounds all around me. A flourish comes to nature, rejuvenated with another cycle of birth, and growth. The air is filled with sweet smells of spring, as I listen to the cheery canary-like song of one of my old friends- the American finch. Sketching this male goldfinch with his beautiful bright-yellow coat and black cap is always challenging with his undulating flight and acrobatic manoeuvres. With my love of canoeing I would like to encourage everyone to support our Canadian Canoe Museum now situated in Peterborough- the world's foremost canoe centre, with a legacy mission to preserve and share the culture and history of the canoe.

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Sunny Rock Bed and Breakfast (see pages 42 & 43)

1. What is unique about the bed and breakfasts showers?
2. What kind of event is Sunnyrock perfect for?
3. Name a personal touch sally does at breakfast.

Gophers Café (see page 46)

1. Where will the next Gophers Café open?
2. How many people does Gophers seat?
3. What are Gophers Café's hours?

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The first correct answer pulled from entries received wins \$50! It's that easy and it's fun too!

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There were 13 sams in the last issue. They were hidden in the following ads; Foster Door Repair, Ackers Auto Glass, Louies Car Care, Masters Book Store, My Size, Gonyea Eaves & Siding, Barnam Lake Summer Market, McKecks Place, Barry Miscio Contracting, Tom Prentice & Sons, Royal Homes, C & S Contracting, CC Enterprises.

The winner of last month's Spot Sam contest is

Christina deWolff of Haliburton

The winner of last month's draw for accomodation for two for an evening at Stouffers Mill B & B plus dinner for two at Little Hawk Resort plus a spa package from Exquisite Nails is Dianne Robertson of Haliburton.

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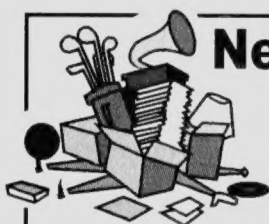
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Tickets to this "must see" event are available on Saturday May 21 from 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. at Haliburton Studio on George st. or by calling 457-1561. They sell out fast so don't delay!
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Week 3 Aug. 2 - 6
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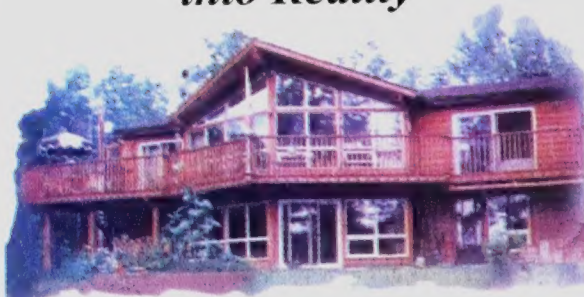
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Urban Legends

— The Good Samaritan —

This story has reportedly occurred in more than one place – making it a classic urban legend, although no proof yet of it's authenticity, it still makes you think.

Here goes:

A man in a business suit approaches and offers to help a woman in distress – the woman was in a parking lot with a flat tire.

The woman accepted the man's offer to help, and they changed the tire together without incident, placing the flat tire in the trunk of her car.

At that point the helpful businessman asked her for a ride to his car, which he said was parked on the other side of the mall. This made the woman uncomfortable and slightly suspicious, so she politely declined. He became insistent. Fearful of his intentions, the woman told the man she had more shopping to do and rushed back into the mall, where she immediately reported the incident to security officers.

Later, when she went back to her car accompanied by the officers, the "good samaritan" was nowhere to be found. Since the original flat tire still needed repair, she drove to a nearby garage, where a mechanic immediately observed that someone had slashed the tire with a knife. It was also discovered that the man had left his briefcase in her trunk.

"She opened it," the story concludes, "and the only things in it were some rope and a butcher knife!"

"Quotable Quotes"

Question: If you could live forever, would you and why? Answer: "I would not live forever, because we should not live forever, because if we were supposed to live forever, then we would live forever, but we cannot live forever, which is why I would not live forever,"

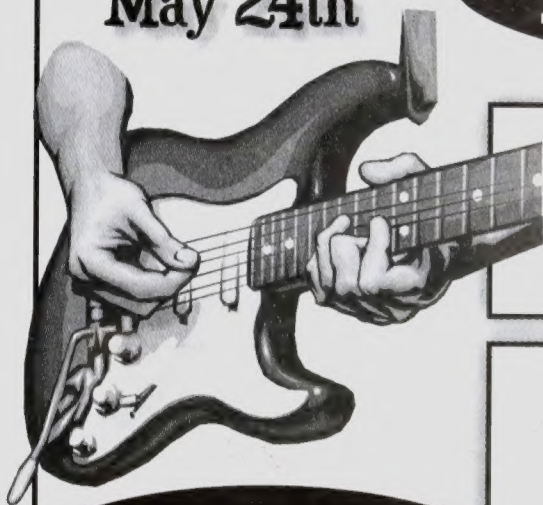
— Miss Alabama in the 1994 Miss U.S.A. contest.

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— Mariah Carey, singer

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Redstone Lake



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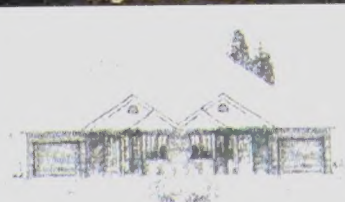
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Little Redstone - Square Timber Cottage 2900 sq ft of living space in this beautiful log home or cottage situated on the sandy shore of Little Redstone. 6 bdrms, 3 baths, hot tub room, LR with cozy fireplace, separate DR and kitchen. Dble garage & breezeway, great for a rainy day. Lge deck across the front. Level, well treed lot with 290 ft frontage of sandy shoreline. S.W. exposure.

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Private Lake - 129 Acres



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Great Building Lot



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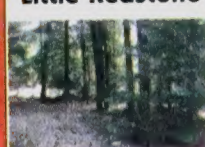
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